

REMARKS

Claims 10-12 have been amended in accordance with the Examiner's recommendation. The remaining pending claims have been amended to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter, correct typographical errors and conform to US practice. Claim 19 has been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Pending claims 7-9 and 17-18 have been acknowledged as reciting allowable subject matter. No new matter has been added. Claims 1-18 were pending in this application.

Claims 10-12 were objected to for noted informalities, which have been resolved by this Amendment.

Claims 1-6 and claims 13-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 for allegedly claiming non-statutory subject matter.

As discussed with the Examiner during a telephonic interview on July 1, 2009, Applicant has amended claim 1 to clarify that the various identified process operations are performed by at least one computing unit. This amendment is supported by the specification in multiple embodiments, for example, those illustrated in FIGS. 1-3, wherein at least one computing unit is performing such operations and, in FIG. 1, three computing units are performing such operations. Applicant understands the Office Action's rejection of independent claim 1 and has incorporated reference to the at least one computing unit to more definitively identify the nexus between the claimed method and statutory subject matter classes. Applicant further states on the record that one of ordinary skill in the art should understand that the term "computing unit" should be understood to correspond to hardware incorporating a Computer Processor Unit (CPU) or other hardware that is capable of performing operations based on computer code that may be stored, for example, on a computer readable medium or the like. Applicant submits that the amendment to claim 1 is sufficient to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 101; however, if the Office believes that further amendment is necessary, Applicant invites the Office to contact the undersigned to discuss the manner in which such amendments may be made.

With regard to the 101 rejection of claims 13-16, Applicant has attempted to amend the wording to conform with what is acceptable under the USPTO guidelines for proper claiming of computer readable media. Applicant notes that although the specification does not disclose the term "computer readable media" verbatim, the originally filed priority application was filed in Swedish; therefore, Applicant submits that the difference between the terms "computer readable

media” and “computer program product” may be a result of Swedish to English translation. Accordingly, to clarify for the record, Applicant submits that the term “computer program product” should be interpreted as synonymous with the term “computer readable media,” as that term is understood and construed to be referred to in patent claims deemed to be in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 101. Therefore, it should be understood that the claimed computer program product does not include carrier waves or digital signals not embodied in a physical medium.

If this statement on record regarding the scope of the claims are insufficient to overcome the 101 rejection and the Office believes that further amendment is necessary, Applicant invites the Office to contact the undersigned to discuss the manner in which such amendments may be made.

All issues raised in the outstanding Office Action having been addressed, Applicant submits that the present application is in condition for allowance and respectfully requests such action. However, if the Examiner has any questions or requests that can be answered by telephone, please contact the undersigned attorney of record at the telephone number listed below.

It is requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response with the fee for such extensions and shortages in other fees, being charged, or any overpayment in fees being credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg LLP, Deposit Account No. **10-0435** (149300.000000).

Respectfully submitted,

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